

MONTREAL AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY.

By the 40th Report of this Auxiliary, we regret to find, that they have lost by death, two of their most esteemed associates, the late Hon. P. McGill and the late A. L. Holmes, M.D., L.L.D. The former was for many years President, and the latter was President at the time of his decease.

The Branches and Depositories number 140, for the most part effective. Issues—5,024 Bibles, 7,792 Testaments; total 12,816, being 1,300 copies more than last year. Total issues of the Society, 247,984 copies.

The receipts for the year amount to \$9,964 99. Four French and three English Colporteurs have been employed, two for one year each, the others for shorter periods, at the expense of \$1,761.33. Total number of copies issued by the English, 3,757; French, 978. The Upper Canada Bible Society has contributed \$724 24 towards defraying the expense of French Colportage.

OTTAWA AUXILIARY.

This Auxiliary has been pursuing its onward course with vigour and success. It has received a grant of \$400 for the support of a Colporteur to the Lumbermen upon the Ottawa, from the Upper Canada Bible Society.

QUEBEC AUXILIARY.

We are glad to learn that the circulation of the Scriptures in French during 1860, has more than quadrupled that of the year preceding, more than 800 copies having been disseminated through various channels.

CONCLUSION.

Your Committee cannot do better than conclude with the following precious words, originally addressed to the vast multitude assembled in Exeter Hall, March 8th, 1853, when the British and Foreign Bible Society entered upon the 50th year of her glorious career. They came from the hallowed lips of John Angell James, who did his Master's work so well upon